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SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT
JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY
NOVEMBER 22, 1963
DALLAS, TEXAS

SYNOPSIS: Harold Weisberg, the author of several books, the first of which was entitled "Whitewash - The Report of the Warren Report," was a guest on a radio program called "Sunday Dialogue" featured by Radio Station WAVA on 9/22/68. This was a 2-hour show which also included questions and answers from the listening public. Weisberg was obviously trying to promote his new book entitled "Coup d' etat" which he stated as yet has not been published. He stated that "Lee Harvey Oswald did not kill anyone" and those that were responsible for the assassination of President Kennedy were members of the "Central Intelligence Agency (CIA), Military Industrial Complex," and that the official story of the Kennedy assassination is false. When Weisberg was asked who killed Kennedy, he said he did not know. The FBI was mentioned on several occasions as was other agencies of the Government. Weisberg has continued attacks, as he has done in the past, against the Warren Commission, the FBI, Secret Service, police agencies, and other branches of the United States Government. Weisberg was one of 10 employees fired by the State Department during 1947 because of suspicion of being a Communist or having Communist sympathy. However, later he was allowed to resign without prejudice but was not restored to his previous position. Complete background data concerning Weisberg has previously been furnished to the White House and to the Attorney General.

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ACTION: The tape recording of this 2-hour show was reviewed. This is a continuation of Weisberg's attacks against the Warren Commission, the Bureau, and other Government agencies. No further action is required, and these tapes will be filed for permanent retention.

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Re: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT
JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY

DETAILS: Harold Weisberg appeared on a radio program entitled "Sunday Dialogue" over Radio Station WAVA 9/22/68. This show was tape recorded and was 2 hours in length. A portion of the show was a question and answer period wherein the listening public would call in asking specific questions which Weisberg answered.

Weisberg was obviously promoting a new book entitled "Coup d' etat" which he said was not published yet. He mentioned that he in the past has had difficulty getting his books published and although he was not directly soliciting funds, he indicated he would accept donations.

Weisberg stated "Lee Harvey Oswald did not kill anyone". He claimed Oswald did not know that he was part of a conspiracy but was used as a patsy and made to seem responsible. Weisberg claimed the persons who were responsible for the assassination of President Kennedy were members of the "CIA, Military Industrial Complex."

Weisberg claimed the Warren Commission, according to its own findings, proved beyond doubt that the act of the assassination was beyond the capacity of any one man, therefore, the assassination was a conspiracy.

Weisberg attempted to tie in the assassination of Senator Robert F. Kennedy with the assassination of President Kennedy and when he was asked why this was so, he said that Bobby had to be killed so that those who killed President Kennedy could get away with it. He stated that if Bobby Kennedy became President, he would have had to look into the assassination since he was such an effective spokesman against the present Vietnam policy, that if he had to be killed "any-way", the sooner it was done, the less harm he (Bobby) could do to the "CIA, Military Industrial Complex." Weisberg also attempted to establish that there was a close parallel between Lee Harvey Oswald and Sirhan Sirhan. He also mentioned that he had been in contact with James Garrison of New Orleans and thinks that Garrison is right in his theory of the assassination.

Weisberg mentioned that President Johnson, who was both a "beneficiary and victim" of the assassination of President Kennedy, knew that he could not make the former Attorney General (Robert F. Kennedy) responsible for the

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investigation of the assassination, therefore, he appointed "J. Edgar Hoover". He also mentioned that in connection with the alleged conspiracy the FBI, Secret Service, and two police departments (who were not named) knew about the proposed assassination plot. This, of course, is an absolute falsehood on the part of Weisberg.

During the course of the broadcast, Weisberg, on several occasions, mentioned his current address which is "Route 8, Frederick, Maryland" indicating that he had never asked for any solicitations, however, he would gladly accept any "help". Weisberg mentioned the difficulty he has experienced in getting his books published and in this respect, criticized the press and news media severely. He said of the Washington Post that the editor had ordered that his books not be reviewed. He felt that it was the function of the press to bring his views to light and therefore this constituted what he called suppression by the press.

From Weisberg's own comments, it is obvious that he has been having difficulty getting his books published which we know are vitriolic and diabolical criticism of the Warren Commission, the FBI, Secret Service, police agencies, and other branches of the United States Government. He continues his falsehoods, inaccuracies, and slanting of the facts to satisfy his own purpose. Weisberg's complete background, including information concerning his attacks against the Warren Commission, the FBI, and other Government agencies has previously been furnished to the White House and the Attorney General.

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